

Interview Summary

Application No.
08/937,883

Applicant(s)

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Examiner
John Follansbee

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Sanford Colb

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Date of Interview Oct 17, 2001

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 1-18

Identification of prior art discussed:

Secure4U

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Attorney proposed an addition of proposed claimed language to all independent claims, as attached. This claim language refers to claim language not already claimed. The proposed amendment would appear to distinguish over the prior art of record.

Applicant requested that the examiner kindly substantiate the date of publication of the Secure4U reference. The examiner has proposed doing this by obtaining a full copyright registration as referred to in his earlier action. This will be done by the examiner in response to Applicant's response.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

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certain files, wherein the enforcement device treats attempts of the program to access files to which the user permitted access during said learning period more leniently than attempts of the program to access files to which the user did not permit access during said learning period.

xx1. Apparatus for ensuring the integrity of computer applications to be run in association with a computer having data storage arranged sectorwise in a storage device, comprising:

apparatus for assigning a general enforcement file to each new program;

apparatus for learning about the program by monitoring the program's attempts to make file accesses during a learning period; and

an enforcement device operative, after said learning period is over, to treat attempts of the program to access files accessed during said learning period more leniently than attempts of the program to access files not accessed during said learning period.

xx2. Apparatus according to claim xx1 wherein said enforcement device is operative to always allow access to files accessed during said learning period.

xx3. Apparatus according to claim xx1 wherein said enforcement device is operative to prompt a user to give specific permission, upon occurrence of an attempt of the program to access files not accessed during said learning period.

xx4. Apparatus for ensuring the integrity of computer applications to be run in association with a computer having data storage arranged sectorwise in a storage device, comprising:

apparatus for assigning a general enforcement file to each new program;

apparatus for learning about the program by monitoring instances of user permission given to the program's attempts to make file accesses during a learning period; and

an enforcement device operative, after said learning period is over, to treat attempts of the program to access files to which the user permitted access during said learning period more leniently than attempts of the program to access files to which the user did not permit access during said learning period.

xx5. Apparatus according to claim xx1 wherein said enforcement device is based at least partly on instances of specific permission being given by the user to the program to access